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C O N F I D E N T I A L QUITO 5982

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: UN PFOR
SUBJECT: ECUADOREAN POSITION ON ISRAELI SUSPENSION

REF: A. STATE 170841
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1. EMBASSY INCORPORATED US LEGAL ANALYSIS OF SUSPENSION ISSUE CONTAINED REF B IN NOTE TO FONMIN DATED AUGUST 4. ON AUGUST 14 I HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO ELICIT FONMIN LUCIO PAREDES' REACTION.

2. LUCIO PAREDES TOLD ME THAT HE HAD SPOKEN ABOUT THIS ISSUE WITH AN ISRAELI MINISTER WHO VISITED QUITO SIX WEEKS AGO, TO THE EGYPTIAN UNDERSECRETARY WHO WAS HERE TWO WEEKS AGO AND TO THE ISRAELI AMBASSADOR. HIS REMARKS TO EACH HAD BEEN THE SAME, TO WIT:
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A. ECUADOR HAD VOTED FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ISRAEL

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AND WAS NOT ABOUT TO RECEDE FROM THAT DECISION. WHILE IT BELIEVED THAT THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE HAD A RIGHT TO THEIR SEPARATE EXISTENCE, THIS COULD NOT BE AT THE EXPENSE OF THE EXISTENCE OF ANOTHER STATE.

B. ECUADOR WAS OPPOSED TO THE EXPULSION OF ISRAEL IN ANY FORM. IF ISRAEL WERE EXCLUDED FROM THE UNITED NATIONS, WHO WOULD BE NEXT? ECUADOR?

C. HE HAD DISCUSSED THIS VERY ISSUE WITH ECUADOREAN AMBASSADORS TO BRAZIL, COLOMBIA, PERU, ARGENTINA AND CHILE WHO HAD BEEN CALLED HERE RECENTLY TO MEET WITH HIM (QUITO 5618) AND HAD INSTRUCTED THEM TO EXPLAIN ECUADOREAN POLICY TO THE GOVERNMENTS TO WHICH THEY WERE ACCREDITED.

D. IN THE CASE OF PERU, LUCIO PAREDES SAID HE HAD ASKED HIS AMBASSADOR TO MAKE AN ADDITIONAL PRESENTATION WHICH WOULD EMPHASIZE THE PERUVIAN FOREIGN MINISTER'S SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITY AS HOST FOR THE CONFERENCE OF NON-ALIGNED STATES; STRESS ECUADOR'S OPPOSITION TO ANY EFFORT TO EXPEL ISRAEL; AND EXPLAIN THE IMPLICATION SUCH A DECISION TAKEN AT THE NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE WOULD HAVE FOR LATIN AMERICAN SOLIDARITY.

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